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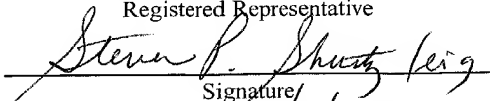
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Case No. 8864/8

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GRIFFITH D. NEAL

Serial No: 09/470,428

Examiner: J. Waks

Filed: December 22, 1999

Group Art Unit: 2834

For: HIGH SPEED SPINDLE MOTOR
FOR DISC DRIVE

**PETITION AND FEE FOR THREE (3) MONTH
EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated July 9, 2002 for a period of three (3) month(s).



Applicant:



claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.



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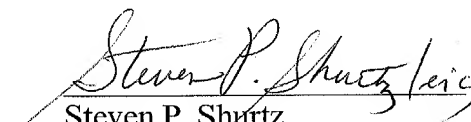
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<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$110.00	\$55.00
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Three Months	\$930.00	\$465.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four Months	\$1,450.00	\$725.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months	\$1,970.00	\$985.00

Fee Payment

- ☐ Attached is a check for \$_____ for the Petition fee.
- ☒ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$465 for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 9, 2003


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